Strikes of doctors

1443. MS. SUSHILA TIRIYA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that doctors of premier medical institutions have lately adopted going for frequent strikes;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (c) In so far as Central Government Hospitals are concerned, there have been no instance in the recent past of doctors going on strike.

Deaths due to Malaria, filaria and dengue

† 1444. SHRIMATI MAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons died of malaria, filaria and dengue in the year 2005, 2006 and 2007 in the country;

(b) whether it is a fact that no success has been achieved in controlling malaria despite spending crores of rupees by National Malaria Research Institute; and

(c) if so, the details of the measures being taken by Government to make this Institute useful?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS): (a) There is no mortality due to Lymphatic Filariasis (filaria). In respect of Malaria and Dengue, as per reports received from the States, the number of persons died since 2005 is as below:

Year	Reported deaths due to Malaria	Reported deaths due to Dengue
2005	963	157
2006	1487	184
2007 (upto 12.8.2007)	1335	18

(b) and (c) No, Sir. There is a success in controlling the malaria. National Institute of Malaria Research (NIMR) is podviding technical support to National Programme through operational research, monitoring of activities of National Vector Borne Disease Control Programme (NVBDCP) and training programmes. Over the years, NIMR has undertaken studies on epidemiology, various aspects of vector biology, susceptibility status of vector species to the insecticides being used for

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